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Chief of Station, Karlsruhe

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U-DRACO/UTILITY's Visit

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1. No action of any kind has been taken here in preparation for a trip by UTILITY. The political significance of such a visit is all too clear and there can be no doubt that it will boost his prestige tremendously. Regardless of how we interpret his trip we can be certain that Utility himself will make capital of it in Germany. For these reasons we are awaiting the decision of Robert A. Ascham (Wash 00815).

2. Pending receipt of Ascham's views no action will be taken other than to request security clearance for the trip as soon as UTILITY's PRQ is received. This should be done strictly because of the time element.

3. The preparation of an agenda for UTILITY and any travel arrangements should definitely await your arrival in Washington. If Utility does come, we feel that you should act as escort during his entire stay. Including him with Group III for a westward trip does not appear to be desirable. [] encountered many difficulties in handling four persons, so a group of six would be too burdensome for the escort.

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